

*House Meets at 9:00 a.m. for Morning Hour and  
10:00 a.m. for Legislative Business*

***Anticipated Floor Action:***

**H.R. 4577—Labor/HHS/Education Appropriations Act for FY 2001**

**H.J.Res. 101—Recognizing the 225th Birthday of the U.S. Army**

**H.Con.Res. 266—Expressing the Sense of the Congress Regarding the  
Benefits of Music Education**

**H.R. 3292—Establishing Cat Island National Wildlife Refuge**

**H.R. 3601—Debt Reduction Reconciliation Act of 2000**



**Bills Considered Pursuant to a Rule**

**H.R. 4577—FY 2001 Labor/Health & Human Services/Education Appropriations**

**Floor Situation:** Last night, a unanimous consent agreement was entered into with respect to further consideration of H.R. 4577 in the Committee of the Whole. Pursuant to House Resolution and the order of the House of June 8, 2000, no further amendment to the bill is in order except the following:

(1) *Pro forma* amendments offered by the chairman or ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations or their designees for the purpose of debate;

(2) The amendment printed in Part B of the House Report 106-657 (by Ms. Wilson);

(3) The remaining amendments listed in the order of the House of June 8, 2000, as previously modified; (Obey unanimous consent amendments see *FloorPrep* Update of June 12) and

(4) The following additional amendments (some of which have not yet been filed with the House Bill Clerk):

**Mr. Young** of Florida regarding across-the-board reduction

**Mr. Hoekstra** regarding reductions in Education for the Disadvantaged (\$116 million), Impact Aid (\$78.5 million), Indian Education (\$31 million), School Improvement Programs (\$158 million), and Bilingual and Immigrant Education and an increase in funding for IDEA by \$383 million

**Mr. Schaffer** regarding reduction in Education Research, Statistics and Improvement and increase in Special Education;

**Mr. Schaffer** regarding reduction in Even Start and increase in Special Education for Grants to States;

**Mr. Schaffer** regarding reduction in Job Corp Training and increase in Special Education Grants to States;

**Mr. Schaffer** regarding reduction in the United States Institutes of Peace and increase in Special Education for Grants to States;

**Mr. Coburn** regarding fetal tissue research;

**Mr. Kaptur** regarding a report on the impact of PNTR on United States jobs;

**Mr. Sanders** regarding NIH;

**Mr. Hall** regarding additional funding for Meals on Wheels;

**Mr. Andrews** may offer an amendment to prohibit the use of Department of Education funds for prohibiting a state vocational rehabilitation agency from counting a blind or visually-impaired person as successfully rehabilitated if the person is placed in a noncompetitive or nonintegrated employment setting at the federal minimum wage or higher. *Contact: x5-6501*

**Mr. Gary Miller** may offer an amendment to reduce “Education technology: ready to learn television” funding, part of the Education Reform program, by \$16,000,000 and increasing Special Education grants to States (IDEA) by \$16,000,000. *Staff Contact: Deandra Brooks, x5-3201*

**Mr. Paul** may offer an amendment to prohibit the use of funds to promulgate or adopt the use of a national medical identification system. *Staff Contact: x5-2831*

**Mr. Andrews** may offer an amendment by reducing the amount available for the Office of the Secretary of HHS by \$40,000,000 and increasing the amount available for a block grant to the Inner

City Cardiac Satellite Demonstration Project operated by the State of New Jersey, including creation of a heart clinic in southern New Jersey by the same amount (\$40,000,000). **Contact: x5-6501**

**Mr. Andrews** may offer an amendment to prohibit the use of funds to make payments to a Medicare+Choice organization offering a plan which the Secretary finds to be out of compliance with part C of title XVIII of the Social Security Act. **Contact: x5-6501**

**Mr. Bass** may offer an amendment to increase IDEA funding by \$200 million and decrease GEAR UP Funding by \$200 million. **Staff Contact: William Driscoll, x5-5206**

**Mr. Oxley** may offer an amendment earmarking \$10 million of the \$365 million appropriated for the Corporation of Public Broadcasting (CPB) to transition to digital broadcasting of its programming. The bill, as reported, increased CPB's appropriations for FY 2001 by \$15 million over last year's level. The amendment designates \$10 million of that increase to digital conversion. **Staff Contact: Bob Foster, x5-2676.**

**Messrs. Oxley and Shadegg** may offer an amendment to reduce the level of appropriations for the Corporation for Public Broadcasting by one percent or \$3.65 million (1% of \$365 million). **Staff Contact: Bob Foster, x5-2676**

**Mr. Oxley** may offer an amendment stating that no funds appropriated for the Corporation for Public Broadcasting may be used to pay salaries, wages or other compensation of any officer or employee of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting, the Public Broadcasting Service, or the National Public Radio that exceeds the current annual rate of pay for Members of Congress. **Staff Contact: Bob Foster, x5-2676**

**Mr. Roemer** may offer an amendment to increase funding for the School Improvement Program by \$25 million and reduce funding for the Education Research, Statistics, and Improvement by \$25 million. The amendment would designate \$25 million of the funding appropriated for the Teacher Empowerment Act for teacher transition programs. Additionally, the amendment seeks to create a new program for recruiting highly-skilled industry workers and training them as teachers. **Contact: x5-3915**

**Mr. Ryan** may offer an amendment to reduce 21<sup>st</sup> Century Community Learning Centers, part of the Education Reform program, by \$300,000,000 and increasing Special Education grants to States (IDEA) by \$300,000,000. **Staff Contact: Scott Shortenhaus, x5-3031.**

**Mr. Stearns** may offer an amendment prohibiting the use of funds by any local educational agency that denies access to student information for military recruiting purposes. **Contact: x5-5744**

**Mr. Stearns** may offer an amendment to require additional disclosure of NIH research expenditures. **Contact: x5-5744**

**Mr. Tancredo** may offer an amendment to decrease funding for the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) by \$80 million and increases funding to IDEA by \$80 million. **Contact: x5-7882**

**Mr. Vitter** may offer an amendment to increase IDEA funding by \$1.42 billion by reducing each education account that received an increase by the exact amount of the increase. Specifically, the amendment would decrease Title 1 by \$116 million, Impact Aid by \$78.5 million, School Improvement Programs by \$158.5 million, Indian Education by \$30.8 million, American Printing House for the Blind \$900,000, National Institute for the Deaf \$5.8 million, Galludet University by \$3.4 million, Vocational & Adult Education by \$36.8 million, Student Financial Assistance by \$823.3, Higher Education by \$158.5 million, and Howard University \$7 million. These offsets will allow total IDEA funding to reach \$2 billion, the amount called for in the FY 2001 budget resolution. *Staff Contact: D.J. O'Brien, x5-3015*

**Mr. Boehner** may offer an amendment to eliminate taxpayer subsidies for Hawaii's scandal-plagued Bishop Estate Trust under Title IX, Part B of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965. *Contact: x5-6205*

**Mr. Stearns** may offer an amendment prohibiting the use of funds by any local educational agency that denies access to student information for military recruiting purposes. *Contact: x5-5744*

**Mr. Traficant** may offer an amendment to increase the federal minimum to \$5.65 beginning April 1, 2000 and \$6.15 beginning April 1, 2001. *Contact: x5-5261*

Finally, the unanimous consent agreement provides that each additional amendment may be offered only by the Member designated in this request, or a designee, or the Member who caused it to be printed, or a designee; shall be debatable for 10 minutes equally divided and controlled by the proponent and an opponent; shall not be subject to amendment; and shall not be subject to a demand for a division of the question in the House or in the Committee of the Whole.

## **Bills Considered Under Suspension of the Rules**

**Floor Situation:** The House will consider the following four bills under suspension of the rules. Each is debatable for 40 minutes, may not be amended, and requires a two-thirds majority vote for passage.

**H.J. Res. 101** expresses the appreciation of the American people to the U.S. Army and the soldiers who served in it for 225 years of service and honors the valor, commitment, and sacrifice that Americans soldiers have displayed throughout the history of the Army. Additionally, the president is directed to issue a proclamation recognizing the 225<sup>th</sup> birthday of the U.S. Army and the dedicated service of the soldiers who have served in the Army and calls upon the people of the U.S. to observe that anniversary with appropriate ceremonies and activities. The resolution was introduced by Mr. Spence on June 8, 2000.

**H.Con.Res. 266** express the sense of Congress that music education enhances intellectual development and enriches the academic environment for children of all ages and that music educators greatly contribute to the artistic, intellectual, and social development of American children, and play a key role in helping children to succeed in school. The resolution was introduced by Mr. McIntosh on March 6, 2000.

**H.R. 3292** establishes the Cat Island National Wildlife refuge on 9,477 acres of land in West Feliciana Parish, Louisiana. The legislation will conserve and enhance wetlands; protect endangered species; promote fish and wildlife-oriented recreational activities; promote increased stewardship of natural resources through environmental education; and serve as a general wildlife management unit of the National Wildlife Refuge System. H.R. 3292 permits the Secretary of the Interior to use additional statutory authority to conserve and develop wildlife, natural resources, water supplies, water control structures, outdoor recreational activities and interpretive education. H.R. 3292 was introduced by Mr. Baker on November 10, 1999. The Committee on Resources reported the bill by voice vote on April 6, 2000.

**H.R. 4601** authorizes that an amount equal to any increase in the FY2000 non-Social Security surplus be used to pay the public debt. This bill establishes an off-budget account in the U.S. Treasury, called the “Public Debt Reduction Payment Account.” Funds in the account can be used only to reduce the debt held by the public.

Under the bill, thirty days after the end of FY 2000 and FY 2001 the Treasury must report to Congress the amount of money that was deposited in the account and how the money was used to reduce the public debt. This bill appropriates the excess funds into the “Public Debt Reduction Payment Account” to ensure that the money will not be used throughout the year for any other purpose. This account will remain available for the use of future years, but the appropriation to the account applies only to excess funds from FY 2000. The measure was introduced by Mr. Fletcher on June 8, 2000.



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